

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Bentwich, Itzhak	Art Unit: 3629
App. No.: 10/604,945	Examiner: NGUYEN, TAN D
Conf. No.: 1944	Title: BIOINFORMATICALLY DETECTABLE
Filing Date: August 27, 2003	GROUP OF NOVEL VIRAL REGULATORY GENES AND USES THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 25, 2007 (the "Office Action"), and in accordance with the Rule of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith are a Petition for a three-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and the requisite fees of \$1,050.00 and \$810.00, respectively, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, which extend the deadline for filing a response to January 25, 2008 and provide an opportunity to withdraw the finality of any office action and to enter and consider this submission.

No other fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 50-1662 referencing the above reference number.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this response; **Amendments to the Specification** begin at page 3; and **Remarks** begin at page 4.